

contains claims 1-15, of which claims 8-15 are canceled herein. New claims 16-27 are added herein. Of these new claims, claims 16-20 were submitted in a preliminary amendment filed in the parent application (also numbered 16-20). In the parent application, claims 1-7 and 16-20 were withdrawn from consideration following Applicants' election of claims 8-15 therein. Accordingly, claims 1-7 and 16-27 are pending in the present application, on entry of the present preliminary amendment. Claims 1, 16, 18 and 21 are independent.


Newly submitted claims 16-27 are supported in the claims and specification of the parent application as originally filed, and at page 26, lines 7-14 of the present specification. No new matter is added by these amendments.

The present amendment of claim 6 is made for clarification purposes only, to correct the dependency.

Should the Examiner feel that a telephone interview would be helpful to facilitate favorable prosecution of the above-identified application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number provided below. If any additional fees are required for the filing of these papers, Applicants request the Commissioner to charge those fees to deposit account #18-0988.

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APPENDIX

6. (Amended) A lamination ceramic chip inductor according to claims [5] 1, wherein the interposing step includes interposing the at least one conductive pattern between insulation layers formed of a magnetic material containing an organolead compound as an additive for restricting deterioration of magnetic characteristics of the insulating layers.